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Local clean-up days announced

Wabash's Tox-Away Day would be set from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 8, and that North Manchester's would be set from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 15 at the Wabash County Solid Waste Management District. The gates will close "promptly" at 1 p.m. on both days.

Visit Wabash County plans historic buildings tour for Saturday

The tour will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 8. The cost will be \$25 per person and will begin at the Visit Wabash County Welcome Center, 221 S. Miami St., Wabash. The North Manchester buildings included in the tour will be The Union Block and Straus Building, The Tower House and The L.Z. Bunker House. For more information, visit www.visitwabashcounty.com/trolley-tours or call 260-563-7171. Payment is due upon registration.

Take a walk through history through the outfits of Gene Stratton-Porter

This month's Woman's Clubhouse luncheon and program, "Gene Stratton-Porter Comes Home,"

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IDOE names MCS as newest STEM Certified Schools

Application, review process must be repeated every five years to retain certification

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

On Friday, the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) announced 13 schools are newly certified as leaders in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

And all of the Manchester Community Schools (MCS) — Manchester Elementary School, Manchester Intermediate School and Manchester

Junior/Senior High School — were included.

This brings Indiana's total number of STEM Certified Schools to more than 100 statewide, said IDOE deputy director of communications Holly Lawson.

"On behalf of Manchester Community Schools, we are elated to receive the honor of attaining IDOE STEM Certification for all our schools,

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Provided photo

MCS superintendent Teresa L. Gremaux announces the certifications.

Lifting their voices



Photos by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

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National Day of Prayer celebrations held locally Thursday

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Just after noon Thursday, dozens of members of the local faith community gathered on the lawn in front of the Wabash Courthouse to celebrate the annual National Day of Prayer (NDOP).

The event was one of several local gatherings planned to commemorate the day. At the same time, in the northern part of the county, a service was held at the North Manchester Police and Fire Department building on the front lawn, and another was held that evening at the Wabash City Park Pavilion.

Attendees were encouraged to pray both silently and out loud, and together and alone. A myriad of subjects of prayer was presented including families, the church, businesses, teachers, students

and arts, media and entertainment.

One of the event's organizers, Angela Penix, said the theme for this year's NDOP will be "Lord, Pour out Your Love Life and Liberty,"

which inspired by II Corinthians 3:17, which states, "Now the Lord is the Spirit and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty."

One group which was given particular attention during the

NDOP was those serving in the military.

Pastor Robb Rensberger of Wabash First Church of God said "as a veteran, I would

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Pollinator garden project planned for NMPL grounds

Library, Rotary Club, Wabash County Extension collaborating to grow native plants

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The North Manchester Public Library (NMPL), the Rotary Club of North Manchester, and Wabash County Extension Services are collaborating on a pollinator garden project to be hosted on library grounds, said adult department manager and marketing coordinator Jeanna Hann.

Hann said the garden will be located on the southeast

corner of the library and will focus on plants that are not only native to Indiana, but that will also attract and nourish pollinators.

"The choice of plants and the types of programming that will take in the space are intended to create a garden that will be sustainable, provide interest across all seasons, provide educational experiences that can ripple out to the general public, and support NMPL's long-range plan of expanded use of the

outdoor spaces on the property," said Hann.

Hann said the NMPL Friends of the Library and Rotary Club of North Manchester are helping to support the project, and grant opportunities are also being pursued.

"However, public financial support is always welcome," said Hann. "Many community members have already donated plants for the garden and the Roann Olive Branch Church helped prepare the site."

Hann said planting will



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Planting will begin the second week of May.

Wabash County, North Manchester awarded CCMG funds

The next call for projects will open in July

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Several local road repair projects have been funded thanks to the latest round of Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG) funds.

Late last month, Gov. Eric J. Holcomb and Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) Commissioner Joe McGuinness announced 218 Indiana cities, towns and counties received a combined \$100.2 million in state matching funds for local roads projects, according to strategic communications director Scott Manning.

During this round of funding, Wabash County was awarded \$863,913.53 and North Manchester was awarded \$520,814.26.

On Friday, INDOT director of local Kathy L. Eaton-McKalip said the following projects were funded in Wabash County during this round:

■ Meridian Road project from the Norfolk Southern Railroad at the corporate limits to East County Road 1300 South.

■ Hanley Road project from Taylor Street to North County Road 300 East.

■ Old State Road 15 project from South Meridian Road to the corporate limits.

On Tuesday, North Manchester town manager Adam Penrod said all projects they had applied for in this round were funded.

"Design work is wrapping up," said Penrod.

Penrod said bidding should take place in June.

"Construction time frame will depend on the awarded contractors schedule," said Penrod.

At their monthly meeting in April, the North Manchester Town Council approved funding for surveying for the proposed road projects.

In a March 31 letter to Penrod, Apex Surveying engineering manager Aaron J. Ott said they would begin the surveying and design work. Ott said the fees would not exceed \$20,450.

The following is the list of the requested projects included in the proposal. The first six listed will require milling, resurfacing, partial and full-depth patching as needed and curb and sidewalk replacement "where they are failing and upgrade (Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990) ramps which do not meet current standards." The final four listed will include the milling,

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Frances Slocum Chapter of the DAR to meet

The Wabash County Frances Slocum Chapter of the Indiana Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 11 at the Grandstaff-Hentgen Activity Room, 1241 Manchester Ave., according to regent Barbara Amiss. The program will be given by Vis-

it Wabash County tourism manager Jennifer Long-Dillon, showcasing Wabash County. Prospective members and guests are always welcome to attend. DAR membership is open to any woman 18 years of age, who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution.

Those having questions about their family history lineage information may contact www.dar.org or Linda Thompson at 260-563-4661 or Amiss at 260-982-4376. Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com.

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Today's sunset 8:44 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 6:34 a.m.

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Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a slight chance of showers, high temperature of 60°, humidity of 37%. Southwest wind 2 to 6 mph. Expect cloudy skies tonight with an 85% chance of showers, overnight low of 46°. East southeast wind 3 to 10 mph.

Submit for strength

By JOE SCLAFANI

‘Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will exalt you.’ — James 4:7-10 ESV

What I received from this previously was that we had to submit to or humble ourselves before God then we could resist the devil, and I still believe that. We need God’s strength to resist the devil, or temptation, or our addictive or compulsive behavior, fill in the blank if it is a struggle in our life we need God’s help to resist it. If we are powerless over anything then we need God’s help to resist it. “Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.” (Romans 7:24-25 ESV) (Read Romans 7:7-8:3) I did not change on that fact but that is where it stopped.

After we submit and resist it doesn’t end there, the passage tells us to draw near to God – then it goes on and encourages us with “He will draw near to you.” After resisting, we draw near to God, He is with us when we resist, He is also on both sides of resisting. This makes sense, as resisting leaves us weary we need to come back to God for refreshing. In addition, we are then instructed to do, what we call in recovery, some house cleaning. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. (James 4:8b-9 ESV) This is hard work: we look at our actions, admit the exact nature of our wrongs, ask God to remove our defects and to change us. Then we make a list of those we have harmed, and we make amends to them. After this vs. 10 tells us to humble ourselves to God and He will lift us up.

In four verses, we are told to submit to God, draw near to God, and humble ourselves to God. I can never say enough in recovery that we need God to help us, we should not try to recover on our own. Recovery without God is incomplete, because without God, we are incomplete.

There is a lot in these four verses I think we need to remember that we do all things with Christ. “I can do all things through him who strengthens me.” (Philippians 4:13 ESV)

When we admit we are powerless over our addiction, obsession, behavior, emotional or spiritual issue, and we realize that there is a Power greater than ourselves, then turning our will and life over to the care of God we have submitted to Him. Then it will be possible to resist the temptation so that we can go on with the house cleaning; but before we do that we need to draw near to God who draws near to us. This strengthens us after resisting. I have noticed the more work, or house cleaning I do, the more spiritually fatigued I am, that is why I need to draw near.

The light at the end of the tunnel is that we go back to God who lifts us up.

Joe Sclafani is the executive director of New Beginnings Ministries of Wabash.

Pfizer first to seek full approval for COVID-19 vaccine in U.S.

By RILEY GRIFFIN
Bloomberg News (TNS)

Pfizer Inc. and its partner BioNTech SE have asked U.S. regulators for full approval of their COVID-19 vaccine, a milestone in their effort to make the shot a sustainable revenue source that goes well beyond its current standing as an emergency product.

On Friday, the companies became the first COVID-19 vaccine makers to submit a biologics license application to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Their vaccine is one of three – along with shots made by Moderna Inc. and Johnson & Johnson – that hold an emergency use authorization in the U.S., a designation that can be revoked at any time and lasts only as long as the state of emergency itself.

In submitting a BLA, Pfizer and BioNTech will subject their vaccine to greater scrutiny by the FDA, potentially helping to offset worries by some Americans that the shot may have been produced too quickly to guarantee its long-term safety. Data to support the application will be submitted to the regulator on a rolling basis in coming weeks.

If cleared, the companies would be able to begin marketing the product to the general public. The full approval would also allow more employers to begin mandating vaccination. Moderna says it plans to initiate a rolling submission for a BLA for its COVID-19 vaccine this month.

The submission follows the “tremendous progress” they have made in delivering vaccines to millions of Americans and is the next step in a “rigorous FDA review process,” the companies said a statement.

As part of the application, they have submitted non-clinical and clinical data, including the most recent analysis from the Phase 3 clinical trial, where the vaccine’s efficacy and safety profile were observed for as long as six months after the second dose. The duo will also submit required manufacturing and facility data in the coming weeks.

The companies will first seek approval for the vaccine’s use in individuals 16 years of age and older, but also intend to submit a supplemental biologics license application for those aged 12 to 15 once the required data is available.

Peter Marks, director of the FDA’s Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, said in April that the review process typically takes six months, but that U.S. regulators would attempt to move faster than that.

The Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine was designed using messenger RNA technology. It works by instructing cells in the body to generate the spike protein that initiates the coronavirus infection, spurring an immune response.

On April 1, Pfizer and BioNTech reported follow-up data from a final-stage trial of 46,307 people showing the vaccine was 91.3 percent effective in preventing symptomatic cases starting one week after the second dose for as long as six months. In the U.S. alone, the efficacy rate was 92.6 percent.

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Obituaries

Marilyn R. Brubaker

Oct. 9, 1937 – May 5, 2021

Marilyn R. Brubaker, age 83 of Marion passed away on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at Marion General Hospital in Marion.

Marilyn was born on Oct. 9, 1937 in Wabash, Indiana the daughter of the late Clyde Smith, Sr. and Ethel Rose (Winbiggler) Smith.

She married Todd J. Brubaker on Oct. 31, 1954 and he preceded her in death on April 24, 2009. She worked at Foster Forbes for ten years and then sold Avon for more than 20 years.

Marilyn was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene. She enjoyed doing puzzles and word search. Marilyn and Todd loved dressing up for Halloween (their Anniversary) as Kato and the Green Hornet. Their house was always decorated during Christmas time, and they loved having decorating competitions with their daughter, Brenda. Marilyn loved life and a good joke, and enjoyed being with family and spending time with her grandchildren.

Marilyn is survived by two daughters, Brenda Robinson (Daniel) of Marion and Deborah Wright of Roxana, Kentucky; two brothers, John (Margaret) Smith of Marion and Richard Smith of Evansville; 7 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by brothers, Clyde Smith, Carl Smith, Forrest



Smith, George Smith, Bob Smith, Bill Smith and Jim Smith; sisters, Mary Shoemaker, Frieda Goodman and Dorothy Chandler; son-in-law, Donald Madden; and a great-grandson, Evan Binnion.

Friends and family may call from 4 to 8 p.m. on Monday, May 10, 2021 at Raven-Chocate Funeral Home, 1202 W. Kem Road, Marion, Indiana. Funeral Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 in the funeral home with Pastor is David Parker officiating.

Burial will follow funeral services in Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Marion (Huntington County), Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cancer Services of Grant County, 305 S. Norton Avenue Tower Suites, Marion, Indiana 46952.

Online condolences may be shared at www.ravenchoate.com

Phyllis Eileen Purdy

Phyllis Eileen Purdy, 83, North Manchester, Indiana, passed away on March 29, 2021.

The memory of Phyllis will be cherished by her husband, Richard Purdy; sons, David (Caryn) Purdy and Michael (Jackie) Purdy; daughter,

Pamela (Ron) Stopher; sister, Anita (William) Snep.

A celebration of Phyllis's life will be held May 15, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. with visitation beginning at 11:00 a.m. at Congregational Christian Church, 310 North Walnut Street, North

Kenneth Eugene ‘Ken’ Bucher

Sept. 17, 1955 – May 4, 2021

Kenneth Eugene “Ken” Bucher, 65, of Warsaw, Indiana, died at 4:25 pm, Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at his home. He was born on Sept. 17, 1955, in Wabash, Indiana, to Eugene F. and Elizabeth C.(Bouse) Bucher.

Ken was a 1973 graduate of Wabash High School and received his Associates degree in Accounting from the International Business College, in Fort Wayne. He married Charlyn Ann (Faurrote) Wertenberger on Aug. 13, 1988; she died Sept. 7, 2017. He then married Gayle Manby on July 27, 2018. Ken was the former owner and C.E.O. of Warsaw Chemical for 41 years, and also owned the Power Kleen Car Wash in Wabash. He was a member of the Lake Tippecanoe Country Club, and the PGA Village Golf Club in Port St. Lucie, Florida. Ken was an avid golfer, loved cars, especially classic cars and convertibles, sports, fishing, and was an avid Wabash High School, Purdue University and Chicago Bears fan. He grew up in Wabash, lived the past 40 years in Warsaw, and wintered in Port St. Lucie.

He is survived by his wife, Gayle Manby-Bucher of Warsaw, two children, Donnie (LaWanda) Wertenberger of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Deana Wertenberger of Columbia City, Indiana, two grandchildren,



Trevor (Catherine) Austin of Oklahoma City, and Alexis Cox of Silver Lake, Indiana, four great-grandchildren, brothers and sister, Larry (Chris) Bucher and David (Kristy) Bucher, both of Warsaw, Jane (Tim) Denney and Ted (Tuesday) Bucher, both of Wabash. He was also preceded in death by his parents, and his grandson Lane Collier.

Graveside services and burial will be 10 am, Tuesday, May 11, 2021, at Falls Cemetery, Wabash, with David Phillips officiating. Friends may call 2-7 pm Monday, May 10, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash.

Preferred memorials are Alzheimers Association or American Cancer Society.

The memorial guest book for Ken may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

PENDING SERVICES

Gene Kaufman, 85, of Andrews, passed away on Friday, May 7, 2021. Services are pending and have been entrusted to McDonald Funeral Homes, LaFontaine Chapel.

INDOT begins Indiana 13 and 15 Wabash River bridgework

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has announced bridge maintenance work over the Wabash River on Indiana 13 and Indiana 15 in Wabash. The northbound lanes between Lafontaine Avenue and Miami Street will be closed to traffic. Motorists should use the posted detour of Lafontaine Avenue, Huntington Street and Market Street. The southbound lanes between Fulton Street and Dimension Avenue will be reduced to one lane because of the work. The work is set to wrap up in July.

Indiana 15 lane closures to last through mid-summer

Alternating lane closures are planned for Indiana 15. The work is happening between Indiana 13 and Wedcor Avenue. Widths will be restricted to 13 feet during the project and that loads wider than 13 feet should seek an alternate route using the nearest numbered state, U.S. or interstate routes. The work is scheduled to wrap up by mid-summer.

DivorceCare meets Tuesdays

DivorceCare, a 13-week DVD series sponsored by Wabash Friends Counseling Center, features some of the nation’s foremost Christian experts on topics concerning divorce and recovery, according to group leader Janet Quillen. The support group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the Conference Room in the Wabash Friends Counseling Center, 3563 South State Road 13. Wearing a mask is required when entering. Quillen and members of the group meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Subway, 1812 S. Wabash St., on State Road 15. For more information, call 260-563-8453, 877-350-1658, email office@wabashfriends.org, call 260-571-5235 or visit www.divorcecare.org.

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Explainer: What are cicadas and why do they bug some people?

By **SETH BORENSTEIN**
AP Science Writer

Cicadas, red-eyed bugs singing loud sci-fi sounding songs, can seem downright creepy. Especially since the trillions of them coming this year emerge from underground only every 17 years.

But they're not monsters or a plague of locusts. Once you get to know them, scientists say you can appreciate the wonder of these unusual creatures. So here are some answers to cicada question that may be bugging you.

What are cicadas?

They are a family of insects called magicicadas. They belong to a group of bugs that are different from other insects in that both the nymphs and adults have a beak they use to drink plant fluids. Adults have two sets of wings.

There are more than 190 known varieties of cicadas in North America and 3,390 of them around the world.

Most cicada species come out every year. In the United States, there are groups of cicadas that stay underground for either 13 years or 17 years. These are called periodic broods.

Except for one species in India and one in Fiji, only the U.S. gets these periodic cicadas.

What aren't cicadas?

Cicadas are not locusts. They are not grasshoppers.

Those are different species. But when Europeans first arrived in America, some started calling them locusts and even grasshoppers.

What are broods?

Different groups of cicadas come out in different years in different places. This year's group is called Brood X, as in the Roman numeral 10. There are 15 broods that still come out regularly. Others have gone extinct.

Some come out every 13 years. Some, including Brood X, come out every 17 years.

Why so many years?

Some entomologists theorize that it's an evolutionary defense mechanism. They stay underground so long that most predators will have no memory or history to look for them.

Why so many cicadas?

That's another evolutionary defense mechanism. Lots of creatures – even ants – eat cicadas. When they first come out and try to molt their skin, they can get stuck and are particularly vulnerable to attack.

They come out in large numbers so that some of them will survive. The survivors make the next brood, says University of Maryland entomologist Michael Raupp.

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resurfacing and partial and full-depth patching only:

- Colfax Street: Railroad tracks to Half Street
- South Buffalo Street: South Street to Main Street (Indiana 114)
- High Street: Colfax Street to Grant Street
- Grant Street: High Street to Buffalo Street
- North Buffalo Street: Second Street to Peabody Drive
- North Maple Street: Main Street to Ninth Street
- Snyder Street: Shopping Center to Fourth Street
- West Street: Thorn Street to Fourth Street
- Fourth Street: Strauss Provimi Road to West Street
- Cecil Street: Park Avenue to Pony Creek Road

Through the CCMG program, INDOT matches up to \$1 million annually when localities invest in road and bridge repairs. Counties with populations fewer than 50,000 and cities and towns with populations fewer than 10,000 receive a 75 percent to 25

percent match, while counties with populations of greater than 50,000 and cities and towns with populations of greater than 10,000 receive a 50 percent to 50 percent match.

During the first round of 2020 CCMG awards in April 2020, LaFontaine and North Manchester were both awarded funding.

In December 2020, Penrod said the projects for which the funds were slated were the Phase II reconstruction of Wayne Street, the mill and resurfacing of West Main Street and crack sealing 10 different street segments.

In September 2020, Penrod said they would be waiting until January 2021 to apply again as they had already received the maximum amount for 2020 during the first round. That was the latest round, which was funded.

The next call for projects will open in July.

For more information, visit www.in.gov/indot/communitycrossings.

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GARDEN

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begin the second week of May.

On Friday, Hann said they are still in need of three to five of the following plants, each in one half to one-gallon container sizes: Butterfly Weed (Asclepias tuberosa), Coneflower (Echinacea purpurea preferably), Coreopsis (Coreopsis tripteris), Zigzag Goldenrod (Solidago flexicaulis), Aster (any perennial variety) and Joe-Pye Weed (Eutrochium maculatum).

“The library is excited to be part of this collaborative project!” said library director Diane Randall. “This project is a great opportunity to utilize the library grounds in educating the community about pollinator plants and to support the native plant environment.”

Hann said the library hopes to use the garden for special programs for the community, such as the upcoming Dirty Diggers Club for children, which will meet at 6 p.m. every Tuesday on the library lawn.

“Elementary and middle school-aged kids will enjoy fun activities and projects that help them learn about nature and gardening. Sessions will begin on the library lawn and will occasionally include short walks to nearby green spaces. Subjects will include roots, stems, composting and plant identification, with special scheduled presentations from Geoff Schortgen from the Purdue Extension,” said Hann.

The steering committee includes Anne Gregory of the Rotary Club of North Manchester, Sarah Morbitzer of the NMPL, Heidi Lovett of the NMPL and master gardener Janina Traxler of the Rotary Club of North Manchester.

To donate any of these plants, email at JPTraxler@manchester.edu.

Families interested in this club may call 260-982-4773.

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will offer a unique opportunity to explore history through fashion. Pendy Selking “will present a walk through history with 10 historic outfits” created and worn by the famed Indiana naturalist and author at noon Tuesday, May 11 at 770 W. Hill St. Reservations may be made by calling Mary Delauter at 260-563-6613 or Carol McDonald at 260-563-2331.

Second Harvest to hold a tailgate food distributions

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned tailgate food distributions for 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 26 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15; and noon Wednesday, May 12 at Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St, North Manchester. For more information, visit www.curehunger.org, classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182 or <https://www.givepulse.com/group/203410>.

WACT fall musical auditions planned

The Wabash Area Community Theater’s (WACT) fall musical production, “Sister Act,” will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, May 14, and 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 15, at Wabash Christian Church, 110 W. Hill St. Call-backs, and those who can’t make it to auditions over the weekend, are scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, May 17, at the church.

Salamonie Lake workdays continue throughout summer

Salamonie Lake’s Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, will host a variety of volunteer work-related activities. Check-in and instructions will be available at the Interpretive and Nature Center. The volunteer workdays will continue throughout the summer at 9 a.m. Monday, May 17; 9 a.m. Monday, June 21;

9 a.m. Monday, July 26; 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 16; and 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25. For more information, visit 260-468-2127.

Wabash County Animal Shelter partnership to pair emerging readers with dogs, cats

The local Literacy for Companionship program will be held on the third Thursday of each month, with the next one scheduled for May 20 at the Wabash County Animal Shelter, 810 Manchester Ave. The time will be split into 30-minute shifts from 4 to 6 p.m., with four children scheduled per session. There is no cost for the program and the parents or guardians will be with the children at all times. For more information, call 260-563-3511.

Manchester University sets in-person graduation ceremonies

Several small, in-person ceremonies are scheduled for Saturday, May 22 in Cordier Auditorium on the North Manchester campus. Graduate and Professional ceremony are at 9 a.m. for Doctor of Pharmacy, Master of Athletic Training, Master of Pharmacogenomics, and the dual degree in pharmacy and pharmacogenomics (Pharm.D. and MS in Pgx). Undergraduate and Master of Accountancy (M.Acct.) ceremonies are in this order: 11:30 a.m. Honors Program, College of Arts and Humanities, M.Acct. and Gilbert College of Business; 2:30 p.m. College of Pharmacy, Natural and Health Sciences; and 4:30 p.m. College of Education and Social Sciences.

Honeywell Summer Arts Camps announced for grades K-12

Registration is open for Honeywell Summer Theatre and Visual Art Camps for students in grades K-12, which begin Monday, June 7, and offer in-person, fully immersive programs led by

art and theater teachers and professionals. The two-week Theatre Camps for grades K-5 will take place in the afternoon from Monday, June 7 through Friday, June 18. The three-week Theatre Camps for sixth through 12th grades will take place in the afternoon from Monday, June 7 through Friday, June 25. The one-week Visual Art Camps will take place in the morning from Monday, June 7 through Friday, June 11. Registration is \$75 for art and \$90 for theatre. Financial assistance is available. For more information, visit HoneywellArts.org/camp or call 260-563-1102.

Pancake Day planned for June 12

The Wabash Kiwanis Club’s Pancake Day 2021 event will take place from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 12 at the newly renovated Bruce Ingraham building at the Wabash County Fairgrounds, located just off of Gillen Avenue. Pancakes, with or without blueberries, will be available, along with sausages and drinks. Tickets will be \$8 at the door and \$7 in advance for adults 13 years and older and \$5 at the door and \$4 in advance for children ages 6 to 12 years. Admission for the event will be free for children 5 years and younger. Sponsorship opportunities for businesses for Pancake Day are available by email at donnasiders@hotmail.com or by calling 260-571-1892. Sponsors would receive complimentary tickets to the event and on-site recognition in exchange for their support for only \$150.

Salamonie to hold Summer Forest Camp

Salamonie Lake will be hosting “a unique outdoor day camp” from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday, June 28 to Friday, July 2 at Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Children ages 7 to 13 are welcome. Limited space is available. The cost per child is \$60 and \$55 for each additional sibling. Register and pay by Monday, June 14 and save \$10 per child. For more information and registration, call 260-468-2127.

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LETTERS GUIDELINES

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Please sign your letter. Your name will be used with the letter that is published in the Plain Dealer. Your letter will be returned if it is your desire to remain anonymous.

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A letter should be less than two pages long, preferably of double-spaced typing.

In order to give everyone an opportunity to participate in this exchange of ideas, please try to limit your letters to one per month per household.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE

I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

Psalms 119:11

Biden's first 100 days: Going big, but not big enough

Joe Biden's first 100 days in office signaled that the future does not have to be a rerun of the past. The US president's speech to Congress this week made it clear that Trumpism was a warning from history, a reminder that no republic is guaranteed to last. The U.S. remains in danger – its decline accelerated by an iniquitous economic model, and by leaders unable or unwilling to remedy it. It is a relief to find in the White House a president who wants to bridge divisions rather than widen them. Biden should be praised for saying he will stop the rot and recognizing the challenge to democracy posed by autocracy. But his response risks being undone by an obsession with containing non-existent fiscal risks.

The Biden White House proposes spending \$4 trillion, with about half the money used to rewrite the social contract. The rest will create jobs, with infrastructure investments to re-purpose the post-COVID economy for a zero-carbon world. The problem is not that money is being spent to fix a broken society. Neither is it wrong to ask the rich to pay their fair share of tax. The problem is that Biden says spending must be balanced by tax rises or savings from other government programs.

This is a self-imposed and self-defeating constraint. It seems bad economics to pay for every dollar invested in early childhood education when each greenback yields

\$7.30 in benefits. A number of centrist Democrats have already signaled their opposition to the proposed tax hikes. If Biden wanted cash, he could back the Internal Revenue Service to go after the \$1 trillion in unpaid taxes every year. With a razor-thin Democratic majority in the U.S. Senate, there is a risk that privileging arbitrary fiscal limits will lead to laws not being enacted or spending being pared back to match reduced revenues.

Biden's intention to bust a failed economic paradigm is a good one. It would be a scandal if it were sacrificed on the altar of budget neutrality. The threat to liberal democracy is not from fiscal incontinence but political polarization. America has spent decades running up large deficits with no adverse macroeconomic consequences. In Washington, a debt crisis always seems to be coming. Yet it never arrives. The nation is increasingly endangered by growing levels of inequality, financial instability and ecological calamity. The Gilded Age looks egalitarian compared with the emerging concentration of riches. Either democracy must be renewed by freeing the state from ideological restrictions or wealth is likely to cement a less democratic regime.

It makes little sense for Biden to elevate balanced budgets when the country faces existential choices, a point recently made by two Obama-era White House economic advisers. No one doubts the

sincerity of the Biden team. The question is whether they have subordinated the scale of the crises to congressional politicking. Columbia University's Adam Tooze pointed out that the president's climate spending amounts to about 0.5 percent of U.S. GDP, an amount 10 times smaller than that required to de-carbonize the economy. The economist Stephanie Kelton wrote that to accommodate such large expenditures, the Biden administration "would have to develop a robust plan with a focus on containing inflationary pressures". These are the arguments that Biden should be having with his party, not whether the wealthiest ought to pay for anti-poverty programs.

It is better to let the government's fiscal balance settle to whatever level is required to deal with the multiple emergencies the U.S. faces, given the spending and portfolio decisions of the private sector. It is not the case that the government's ability to spend is constrained by budgetary accounting or temporary while interest rates remain low. The U.S. Federal Reserve's bond-purchasing programs can control yields. Biden's economic team understands that a strong economy benefits the bottom half of America most. However, his spending plans threaten to centre the debate on reducing the deficit rather than rescuing the country.

— This editorial was first published in the Guardian.

Mother's Day thoughts in the wake of COVID-19

With Mother's Day upon us, it is time to do what any loving son and husband must, and write about that sentimental topic of labor force outcomes for women. Of course, this year we have to dwell heavily on COVID-19 and what it means to American women. The experience of women has differed from

that of men in some key respects – some better and some worse.

To begin, it is useful also to set down some pretty straightforward facts.

First, women engage in formal work at a lower rate than men, but it is not a spectacular difference. Men work at about a 10 percent higher rate than do women. Most of this is attributable to at-home childcare, which women do at higher rates than men. Second, women on average earn less than men,

but nearly all of that difference is due to the choice of occupation, educational attainment and tenure on the job.

None of these facts suggest there is not job discrimination; there surely is. But, it is equally certain that most of the differences in wages and occupation choice are due to labor market choices. Perhaps we'd all be better off if there were no gender differences in occupational choice, or rates of childcare duties. That is an important discussion. For our purpose, suffice it to say that gender differences in occupational choice have their start long before a young person looks for a job.

COVID led to a major drop in the labor force participation rate of women. After a huge drop off this time last year, it leveled off at 1987 rates. Today, only 56.1 percent of adult women participate in formal labor markets. Men's labor force participation rate dropped last spring and likewise recovered, but it has now leveled off at just over 67 percent. That is lower than at any pre-COVID-19 time. There are today 3.8 million fewer women working, and 4.2 fewer men employed than at the start of the COVID-19 recession.

The topline labor market effects seem fairly similar when adjusting for labor force participation. But as we look a bit deeper, we begin to see growing differences between the experiences of men and women. In 1979, women were enrolled in college at the same rate as men. By the start of the pandemic, almost 60 percent of four-year college students were women. COVID-19 affected enrollment, with first-year enrollment of women dropping by 2.2 percent, but closer to 7.0 percent for men. When we include two-year colleges, enrollment was down closer to 16 percent.

Women have been doing noticeably better than men in educational attainment for 30 years, but their occupational choices have evolved more slowly. COVID-19 imposed economic effects on sectors with large shares of female employment; education, health-care, travel and hospitality. Still, it seems women stuck with college plans with more diligence this year. Data on their chosen major track isn't yet available, but there's little to suggest it would change dramatically.

We can hope that most of these prospective students took a COVID-19 gap year. If so, we may have better enrollment this fall, which is especially important in states with low levels of educational attainment. But, whatever happens, women fared better than men in the college attendance effects of COVID.

Of course, not all women are mothers, but labor market outcomes during COVID-19 may have been particularly hard on parents. By my reckoning, of the 56 million kids in school, about 11 million live with a single mother, and another 25 to 30 million live with two parents who both work. With about half of the single moms working, that means as schools closed last spring, the families of something like 31 million to 36 million kids were caught in a tough bind. Even if we exclude high school kids, some of whom might be able to fend for themselves at home, this leaves more than 17 million kids needing home supervision. This happened in March 2020, and lasted until June. So, it is hardly a surprise that the employment of women dropped from 74.8 million in February 2020 to a low of 61.5 million in April, just two months later.

The end of summer saw only 40 percent of schools re-opened, and as late as March 2021, only 53 percent of kids were back in classrooms. This meant that single parents (disproportionately moms), along with two-worker families, faced tough choices about job and home life. I don't have good data on the distributional effects on parents. But, but if I've learned anything in my 50-plus trips around the sun, it is that mothers bore the brunt.

By the way, this is not a critique of schools, whose disproportionate employment of women was a unique challenge not faced by their critics.

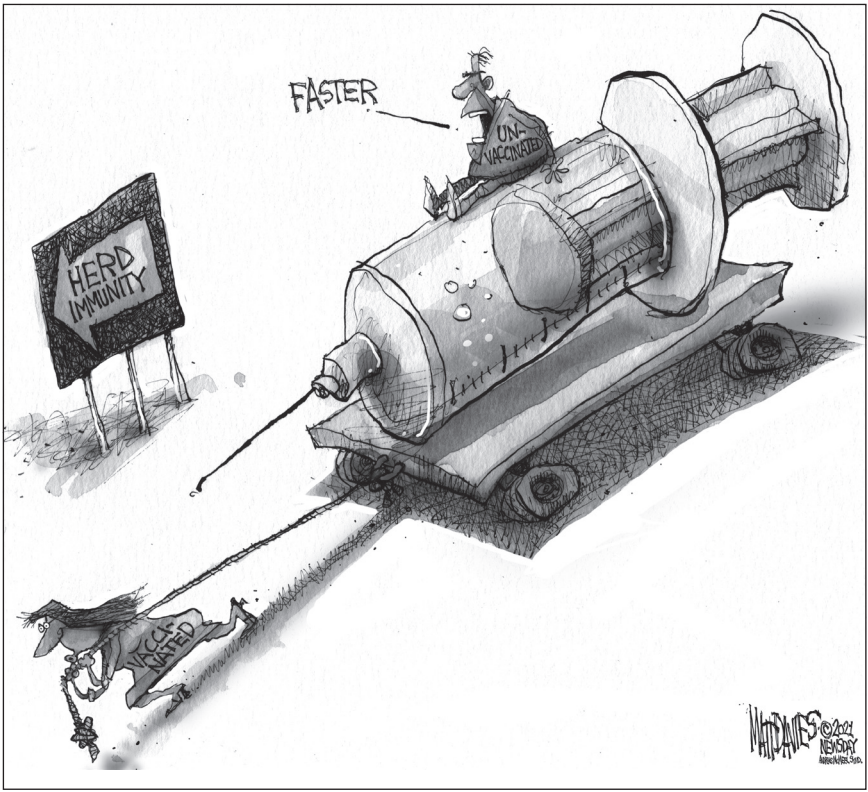
It is too early to know the full effect of these changes. What is certain is that COVID-19 will prompt many families to reassess their work and family life balance. I suspect that many millions will shrink their participation in labor markets and will instead spend more time at home – raising and partially educating their children, eating more meals as a family, and watching more little league games.

COVID-19 has offered many lessons, including the fragility of life and the uncertainty of our sense of normality. Given this, it would be unsurprising if many families decide to work less and spend more time together. We should respect these decisions. Doubtless, it will reduce the available formal workforce, which may permanently reflect COVID-19 changes.

The growing educational gains of women and a more equal balance of occupation choice means that a growing share of men will be at home with children. Still, in 2021 it is certain that the biggest share of new stay-at-home parents will be women. Hopefully, businesses can think of ways to more seamlessly allow people to enter and leave work without facing long-term wage penalties. It is surely in their interest to do so before government makes such an attempt. We might also expect that, with more parents at home, our schools and other important local institutions will experience a flood of new talent.

Many of these changes might be welcomed and give us some benefit from an otherwise very difficult year. Whatever other changes COVID-19 brings us, it is certain that America's mothers deserve a bit of extra pampering after this long pandemic year.

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LETTERS

Thank you, Hoosier hunger heroes

Over a year ago, the COVID-19 pandemic hit and schools in our state had to instantly pivot from in-person to virtual learning. Thousands of children across Indiana were in danger of losing access to the nutrition they rely on from school meals. But Hoosier school nutrition staff immediately stepped up, working day and night to figure out new systems of getting meals to students – through grab-n-go pick-ups, meal drop-offs and more.

Because of the crisis, even more families in our community are facing financial strain. In 2021, an alarming 1 in 6 kids could face hunger because of the pandemic. Yet throughout, school nutrition staff have been there, working tirelessly through the summer, through weekends, through holidays, to make sure kids in our state get the nutrition they need.

On this School Lunch Hero Day and every day, thank

you to all the school nutrition staff across Indiana. You help guarantee kids are healthy and ready to learn and provide a constant in these challenging times. Your love and dedication for what you do and those you serve are noteworthy and extraordinary. Our gratitude cannot be overstated.

Help No Kid Hungry Indiana celebrate Hoosier Hunger Heroes by sharing the stories that impact your family and community on social media using #ThankAHungerHero and on Facebook @NoKidHungryIndiana.

Tarrah Westercamp, MS, RD, SNS
Indiana School Manager for No Kid Hungry Indiana
Greenwood

Having an arm or leg should not be a luxury

Over two million Americans live with limb loss or limb difference, but two-thirds won't receive a prosthetic device. There is not much information to explain

why or if people are getting access to the care they need. That's why I'm urging our representatives to cosponsor the Triple A Study Act (S.1089/H.R.2461).

The Triple A Study Act solves this problem by identifying the best care practices for people with living with limb loss and limb difference. It studies specific challenges, including how often people are denied coverage for devices and outcomes like whether patients can return to work. Medicare, the VA system and private insurers will all benefit from this information.

As a member of the limb loss and limb difference community, I want other people living with limb loss to have the same opportunity so they can live the life they want to live.

The Triple A Study Act is important because it will improve the health of millions of people living with limb loss or limb difference.

Tabitha McKinney
North Manchester

HISTORY

Today is Saturday, May 8, the 128th day of 2021. There are 237 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On May 8, 1984, the Soviet Union announced it would boycott the upcoming Summer Olympic Games in Los Angeles.

On this date:

In 1541, Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto

reached the Mississippi River.

In 1660, the British Parliament moved to restore the monarchy by declaring that Charles II had been the country's lawful king since the execution of his father, Charles I, in 1649.

In 1846, the first major battle of the Mexican-American War was fought at Palo Alto, Texas.

LIFESTYLES



Photo by Lynda Balslev for TasteFood

Tuna loves the grill

There is more to tuna than the mayo-based sandwich filler. In fact, if there is one fish that can handle a robust marinade and the fire of the grill, it would be tuna. Tuna is thick and dense, and it holds its shape while you take the time to sear it golden brown. The key is choosing which kind of tuna is best to use.

Lynda Balslev



There are a number of types of tuna available, from albacore and skipjack (which are popular candidates for canning) to meatier bluefin tuna and ahi (also known as yellowfin), which are excellent fish choices for grilling. Bluefin, with its dark, meaty color and flavor, is the king of tuna – and the priciest. Ahi is the next best option and my favorite. It's slightly less expensive, milder in flavor and paler

in color than bluefin, with a deep rose hue that browns with cooking. This is the tuna you will find served raw and cut into small cubes in the Hawaiian poke bowls. Ahi is also delicious when seared and grilled.

Now, when talking about big fish, it's important to talk about health. With many big fish at the top of the food chain, such as tuna and swordfish, there will be increased amounts of mercury in the flesh. Ahi has a lower amount of mercury than bluefin. It's labeled a "good choice" to eat one serving a week by the FDA, and a "good alternative" by The Monterey Seafood Watch. (See links for further information below.)

This is my go-to recipe for searing and grilling ahi tuna. It's inspired by an Epicurious recipe I found years ago, and since then I've modified it slightly to my taste. I like to use a flat, not ridged, griddle when grilling the skewers, which provides more surface area to sear the fish.

Alternatively, you can sear the skewers in a large cast iron pan over medium-high heat on the stove.

Grilled Ahi Tuna Skewers
Active Time: 30 minutes
Total Time: 30 minutes, plus marinating time
Yield: Serves 4 to 6

Marinade:
3 tablespoons unseasoned rice vinegar
3 tablespoons soy sauce
2 teaspoons toasted sesame oil
2 tablespoons light brown sugar or honey
1 tablespoon vegetable oil
1 tablespoon finely grated peeled fresh ginger
1 garlic clove, minced
2 teaspoons Sriracha
2 pounds ahi tuna, cut into 1- to 1 1/4-inch chunks
1 large red bell pepper, cut into 1-inch pieces
1 large yellow onion, cut into 1-inch chunks
Vegetable oil
Fresh cilantro for garnish

Whisk the marinade ingredients in a bowl to blend and to dissolve the sugar. Set

aside 1/4 cup for brushing.

Place the tuna chunks in a large bowl. Pour in the marinade and stir to coat. Cover and refrigerate for 1 hour.

Thread the tuna on pre-soaked bamboo skewers, alternating with pepper and onion pieces. Lightly brush the vegetables with some of the reserved marinade. Let the skewers stand at room temperature while you prepare the grill.

Prepare the grill for direct cooking over medium heat and preheat a griddle for 10 minutes. Lightly oil the griddle. Arrange the skewers on the griddle, in batches as necessary, and cook to your desired doneness, turning to evenly color, 5 to 6 minutes for medium-rare. Transfer to a plate and brush with some of the reserved sauce. Garnish with cilantro and serve with the remaining sauce for drizzling.

For more information about fish nutrition and safety: www.fda.gov/media/102331/download seafoodwatch.org

Broadway readies imminent ticket sales for a fall reopening

By MARK KENNEDY
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Many Broadway productions are scrambling to resume ticket sales in the coming days to welcome theater-goers this fall after city and state leaders have green-lit a reopening of the Great White Way at full capacity by mid-September.

"We remain cautiously optimistic about Broadway's ability to resume performances this fall and are happy that fans can start buying tickets again," Charlotte St. Martin, president of the Broadway League, said in a statement Wednesday.

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo said Broadway theaters can reopen Sept. 14 and will be allowed to decide their own entry requirements, like whether people must

prove they've been vaccinated to attend a show. Selling tickets will allow theaters to gauge interest before stages open, said Robert Mujica, Cuomo's budget director.

"Phantom of the Opera," Broadway's longest-running show, announced Wednesday it would resume performances on Oct. 22, with tickets going on sale Friday. More shows are expected to circle return dates in the coming weeks.

Actors' Equity Association, the national labor union representing more than 51,000 actors and stage managers in live theater, said the news meant the theater community is "one step closer to the safe reopening" of Broadway.

"We look forward to continuing our conversations with the Broadway League about a safe reopening and

know that soon the time will come when members can go back to doing what they do best, creating world-class theater," said Mary McColl, executive director of Actors' Equity.

The Broadway that reopens will look different. In May, the big budget Disney musical "Frozen" decided not to reopen when Broadway theaters restart, marking the first time an established show had been felled by the coronavirus pandemic. Producers of "Mean Girls" also decided not to restart.

But there will be new shows, including Antoinette Chinonye Nwandu's "Pass Over" that is slated to reopen the August Wilson Theatre, the same venue "Mean Girls" has vacated. And a Shubert theater has been promised for playwright Keenan Scott II's play "Thoughts of a Col-

ored Man."

The lifting of all capacity restrictions has long been considered by the industry as crucial to any reopening plan since Broadway economics demand full venue capacity. Some off-Broadway shows have already reopened with limited capacity.

All city theaters abruptly closed on March 12, 2020, knocking out all shows, including 16 that were still scheduled to open.

Some scheduled spring 2020 shows – like a musical about Michael Jackson and a revival of Neil Simon's "Plaza Suite" starring Matthew Broderick and Sarah Jessica Parker – pushed their productions to 2021. But others abandoned their plans, including "Hangmen" and a revival of Edward Albee's "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"

If you owe the IRS and can't pay, this is what you should and shouldn't do

May 17 is National Tax Day, but it's also a day of reckoning for millions of people who owe money to the IRS but can't pay. If you are one of these people, how you decide

Michelle Singletary



to handle this debt could either soothe your anxiety or send you on an expensive journey that ends with more heartache than help.

So what should you do? Let me share what Nina Olson, executive director of the Center for Taxpayer Rights, had to say. Olson, who formerly served as the independent national taxpayer advocate for 18 years, has witnessed the financial calamity that can ensue when people who owe the IRS ignore the problem or seek refuge from pricey tax debt relief operations. The Taxpayer Advocate Service is an independent organization within the IRS that helps people resolve issues with the agency.

"I always tell people that the worst thing that they can do is nothing," Olson said during an interview. "The IRS is not going to go away. It chugs along like a machine, and if you don't respond to it, it will reach out to you in the form of levying your bank account or garnishing your paycheck."

Here's what Olson says you should and shouldn't do if you can't pay your tax debt.

■ Should do: Contact the IRS

There is so much assistance online at irs.gov. Click the link that says "Make a Payment," and you'll find information about options if you can't pay your tax bill.

If you fear the wrath of the IRS, your instinct might be to do anything but contact the almighty agency.

Yet Olson says that's exactly what you should do – with a caveat. Prepare for a long wait for help on the phone.

So far this tax season, only about 1 out of every 50 calls has gotten through to an IRS customer service representative on the agency's 1040 toll-free line (800-829-1040), according to Erin M. Collins, the current national taxpayer advocate.

"I always say bring your knitting while you're sitting on the phone," Olson said.

There's a good reason to confess your financial situation. The IRS will make a notation in your file that could put a hold on the more aggressive collection actions, Olson says.

"It will keep bad things from happening," she says.

Also, be sure to file your return even if you can't pay to avoid the penalty for failing to file.

■ Shouldn't do: Fall for false or exaggerated tax debt relief promises

You want a quick fix, so you consider calling the toll-free number for a company that says it has "skilled" agents who can make a deal with the IRS to solve your debt dilemma.

If you absolutely feel you can't handle a collection issue on your own and need the services of a tax professional, do some research. Don't default to contacting a company you heard about on the radio or on a television commercial.

You don't want to end up paying hundreds – if

not thousands – of dollars to the firm for something you could have done yourself by going straight to the IRS. Or worse, the tax-debt relief company is a scam.

■ Should do: Seek help from a Low Income Taxpayer Clinic

If your income is low enough, and that may be the case this year because of the pandemic, you could get free help from Low Income Taxpayer Clinics, which can represent you before the IRS in tax collection matters and other disputes.

In 2019, the clinics helped decrease or correct \$50 million in tax liabilities, according to the Taxpayer Advocate Service. You can use the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic finder at taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov.

■ Should do: Ask for a payment plan

If you're comfortable with doing things online, use the online payment plan application at irs.gov. You can set up a plan for free or at a minimal cost.

You may qualify for an installment agreement to pay off your outstanding balance over time, including any penalty and interest, of course. To help folks struggling to pay, particularly because of the pandemic, the IRS said it initiated a number of changes, including extending the short-term payment plan time frame to 180 days, which is normally 120 days.

You can also apply for an "Offer in Compromise" (OIC), which is a program in which the IRS will settle a tax debt for less than the full amount owed. Typically, qualifying for an OIC is extremely difficult. But a lot of people who may not have been good candidates for an OIC before the pandemic are good candidates now, Olson said.

■ Shouldn't do: Accept a payment plan you can't afford

"My caution about using the [irs.gov] online tool is to see what the number is that comes up," Olson said. "It may give you a number that is more than you can afford to pay. You don't have to agree to that. But that means you have to go and talk to someone at the IRS."

Once you reach a customer representative, you'll be asked for additional information about your situation. Be sure to reveal all your financial challenges.

"People get flustered, and often they don't say things like, 'I have a huge medical bill coming up' or 'I have a child with special needs,'" Olson said.

If you can't pay anything, you can ask to be put in a status called "Currently Not Collectible." It's a recognition from the IRS that you can't afford to pay anything right now.

"That doesn't mean the debt goes away," Olson said. "It'll put a marker on your account that basically says you do not have the ability to pay your basic living expenses and at the same time pay the IRS."

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Tyler Perry offers mini-sermon during 2021’s woke Oscars

It was just like one of those inspiring Tyler Perry movie scenes when a believer does the right thing and helps a struggler have a come-to-Jesus epiphany. Perry was walking to his car after some Los Angeles production work when he was approached by homeless woman. “I wish I had time to talk about judgment,” said Tyler, after receiving the Jean Hersholt Humanitarian Award during the 93rd Academy Awards. “Anyway, I reach in my pocket and I’m about to give her the money and she says: ‘Excuse me sir, do you have any shoes?’

“It stopped me cold because I remember being homeless and having one pair of shoes,” he added. “So, I took her into the studio. ... We’re standing there (in) wardrobe and we find her these shoes and I help

Terry Mattingly



her put them on. I’m waiting for her to look up and all this time she’s looking down. She finally looks up and she’s got tears in her eyes. She says: ‘Thank you, Jesus. My feet are off the ground.’”

Perry, of course, is a movie mogul who has built a 330-acre studio facility in Atlanta used for all kinds of work, including parts of the Marvel epic “Black Panther.” He has created many profitable films of this own, such as “Diary of a Mad Black Woman,” “The Family That Preys” and “Madda’s Family Reunion,” part of a series in which Perry, in drag, plays a pistol-packing, Bible-quoting matriarch at

the heart of Black family melodramas.

It was logical for Perry to receive the Jean Hersholt award, in part because of his rags-to-riches life and his efforts to help churches and nonprofits reach the needy. At the same time, it’s unlikely that he could ever win a regular Oscar statue, since critics and Hollywood elites have long mocked his movies as soapy parables crafted to appeal to ordinary church folks – Black and white. It isn’t unusual, in the final act of Perry movies, for weeping sinners to pull their lives together during Gospel-music altar calls.

Thus, Perry’s sermonette was an unusual twist in an Oscar rite packed with political messages and wins by films that few American moviegoers saw or even knew existed. Ratings for the broadcast plunged to a

record low of 9.85 million viewers, which was 58 percent lower than the 2020 low of 23.6 million viewers. In comparison, the 1998 Oscars – with the blockbuster “Titanic” – drew 57.25 million viewers.

Even The New York Times quoted an anonymous Hollywood player, noting that “minute-by-minute post-show ratings analysis indicated that ‘vast swaths’ of people turned off their televisions when celebrities started to opine on politics.”

Conservatives celebrated. Sean Hannity of Fox News attacked the “left’s holier-than-thou ideology,” adding that “Americans are fed up with being talked down to, having their values ridiculed, mocked and being lectured to.”

On the left, former Oscar host Jimmy Kimmel quipped, during his

ABC late-night talk show: “Speaking of elaborate funerals, did you watch the Oscars last night? ... How can something so woke put so many people to sleep?”

Perry pushed his critics even further with a punchy reference to America’s culture wars. While discussing his mother’s life in the “Jim Crow South in Louisiana,” he described how she came home in tears after a bomb threat at the Jewish community day care center where she worked. No matter what, he added, she “taught me to refuse hate” and to “refuse blanket judgment.”

That’s a hard message to hear, he said, in the age of the “internet and social media and algorithms and everything that wants us to think a certain way.” Still, that’s a message parents need to be teaching their children.

“I refuse to hate someone because they’re Mexican or because they are Black or white, or LGBTQ. I refuse to hate someone because they’re a police officer. I refuse to hate someone because they are Asian. I would hope that we would refuse hate,” he said.

Thus, Perry said he would dedicate his award to those willing to “stand in the middle because that’s where healing happens. That’s where conversation happens. That’s where change happens. It happens in the middle. So, anyone who wants to meet me in the middle ... to help lift someone’s feet off the ground, this one is for you, too. God bless you.”

Terry Mattingly leads GetReligion.org and lives in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. He is a senior fellow at the Overby Center at the University of Mississippi.



Photo by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

Sen. Andy Zay, R-Huntington, center, was in attendance.

PRAYER

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like to say thank you to any veteran who is here for your service.”

“Lord we pray for our military to be strong and mighty,” he said.

Rensberger said he wanted to remember not only those who were deployed but those they left back home.

“Remember not just the men and women who are in the uniform, but remember the families, the spouses, the children, because they’re sacrific-

ing too in the service of this country,” he said.

The guest speaker was Indiana Statehouse Chaplain Matthew Barnes, who prayed for members of the state, local and federal government.

“You hear our cry today on this National Day of Prayer as you hear the voices that are echoing all the way from New York City to San Francisco, from Minneapolis to Austin, Texas. Voices are being raised in prayer for our nation, for our country, for our cities, for our counties, for our states. Oh Father, would you hear our cry. We

need you,” said Barnes.

One of the organizers of the North Manchester event, Victory Christian Fellowship Pastor Tim Morbitzer said the NDOP is held annually on the first Thursday of May, “inviting people of all faiths to pray for our nation” after being created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman.

For more information, visit www.praywabash.org.

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STEM

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K-12,” said MCS superintendent Teresa L. Gremaux.

Gremaux said MCS curriculum director Sue Gnagy along with several teachers “have worked diligently on this project for nearly two years.”

“I couldn’t be more proud of their accomplishments,” said Gremaux.

Created in 2015, the STEM Certified Schools program recognizes schools focused on a commitment to teaching STEM disciplines beyond the classroom, said Lawson.

“STEM Certified Schools exemplify a highly non-traditional approach to education, employing a great deal of inquiry, project-based learning, community engagement, entrepreneurship, student-centered classrooms, integration into humanities and related arts and out-of-school STEM activities,” said Gremaux.

Lawson said each school completed a “rigorous application and review process,” which must be repeated every five years to remain certified.

“These buildings join an elite group of schools across the state who have successfully completed the rigorous process to attain the Certified STEM School designation,” said MCS communications director Randy Self. “MCS embraces the importance of STEM education at all levels. From the time our students enter kindergarten, we refer to them as practicing scientists and engineers. Our teachers provide authentic project and inquiry-based learning opportunities, rooted in scientific and engineering processes and skills that spark curiosity and wonder.”

Self said they were “fortunate” to have access to outdoor learning spaces including nature trails and greenhouses;



Provided photo

MCS curriculum director Sue Gnagy along with several teachers have worked on this project for nearly two years.

well-equipped science and technology labs; robust extracurricular activities such as Science Olympiad, Robotics, and FFA; and opportunities for STEM career exploration through field trips and internships.

“We are also blessed to live in a community that encourages and supports STEM education,” said Self.

MCS elementary STEM specialist Joel Eichenauer said the STEM certification puts an “official stamp of approval” on what students, parents and staff already knew.

“STEM education is important, memorable, foundational, inspirational, and much more,” said Self. “The learning taking place at MES and all of MCS is motivating students to learn more. By being curious, asking good questions, and noticing the world around them, students are laying the framework for all future careers, hobbies and passions.”

Besides the MCS buildings named as new STEM Certified Schools, others included in the latest round are:

- Central Elementary School, Plainfield Community School Corp, Hendricks County

- Clarks Creek Elementary School, Plainfield Community School Corp, Hendricks County
- East Washington Elementary School, East Washington School Corp, Washington County
- East Washington Middle School, East Washington School Corp, Washington County
- Linton-Stockton Middle School, Linton-Stockton School Corp, Greene County
- Loogootee Elementary School, Loogootee Community School Corp, Martin County
- North Elementary School, MSD North Posey County Schools, Posey County
- North Posey High School, MSD North Posey County Schools, Posey County
- North Posey Junior High School, MSD North Posey County Schools, Posey County
- South Terrace Elementary School, MSD North Posey County Schools, Posey County

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Red meat politics: GOP turns culture war into a food fight

By **THOMAS BEAUMONT** and **SCOTT MCFETRIDGE**
Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — Conservatives last week gobbled up a false news story claiming President Joe Biden planned to ration red meat. Colorado Rep. Rep. Lauren Boebert suggested Biden “stay out of my kitchen.” Texas Gov. Greg Abbott tweeted out a headline warning Biden was getting “Up in your grill.”

The news was wrong — Biden is planning no such thing — but it was hardly the first time the right has recognized the political power of a juicy steak. Republican politicians in recent months have increasingly used food — especially beef — as a cudgel in a culture war, accusing climate-minded Democrats of trying to

change Americans’ diets and, therefore, their lives.

“That is a direct attack on our way of life here in Nebraska,” Gov. Pete Ricketts, a Republican, said recently.

The pitched rhetoric is likely a sign of the future. As more Americans acknowledge the link between food production and climate change, food choices are likely to become increasingly political. Already, in farm states, meat eating has joined abortion, gun control and transgender rights as an issue that quickly sends partisans to their corners.

“On the right, they are just going for the easiest applause line, which is accusing the left of declaring war on meat. And it’s a pretty good applause line,” said Mike Murphy, a Republican consultant. “It’s politically effective, if intellectually dishonest.”

Ricketts was among the first to seize on the issue in recent months. In March, the governor — whose state generated \$12 billion from livestock and meat products last year — slammed his Colorado counterpart, Democratic Gov. Jared Polis, for suggesting Coloradans lay off the red meat one day as a way of cutting back on greenhouse gas emissions.

Republican Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds followed Ricketts’ comments quickly, claiming in a campaign fundraising email, “Democrats and liberal special interest groups are trying to cancel our meat industry.”

In her weekly column a few weeks later, Republican Sen. Joni Ernst of Iowa blasted “everyone from out-of-touch politicians to Hollywood elites” as leading the left’s “war on meat.”



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VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON CHURCH SERVICES

Asbury Country Church

On Sunday, May 9 at Asbury Country Church, Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. and the worship service is at 10:30 a.m. The worship and music leader will be Amy Bullick and the piano will be by Roger Marine. The morning message will be, “Only Our Mom,” by Pastor Mike Bullick.

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ

Online services are available by visiting www.bachelorcreek.com.

Christ United Methodist Church

On Sunday, May 9 worship service at Christ United Methodist Church, 477 N. Wabash St., is at 10 a.m. Pastor Tom Richards’ scripture reading will be John 15:9-17 with a sermon reflection titled “Fullness of Joy.” Worship service will also be live-streamed on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ChristUMCWabash/.

Christian Heritage Church

Streaming services online and broadcast on 95.9 FM.

College Corner Brethren Church

College Corner Brethren Church is now holding in-person services at 10:15 a.m. Sundays at 8996 S. 500 West, with Pastor Solomon David. The sermons are still on YouTube and Facebook.

Common Ground Prayer House

The Common Ground Prayer House will be open to the public from 8 to 10 a.m. Mondays, except holidays, at 78 W. Hill St. COVID-19 precautions will be taken

in the form of masks being worn by prayer house representatives and social distancing. For more information, call Jennifer Mahan at 260-571-8063, Shirley Neale at 260-591-0047 or Debbie Sweet at 260-571-6072.

Dora Christian Church

For the Sunday, May 9 services at Dora Christian Church in Lagro the minister will be Mark Wisniewski, the song leader will be Olman Sanchez, the pianist will be Sherry Brock and the organist will be Kristy Good. We have two in-person Sunday services at 8:15 and 10:30 a.m., with Sunday school classes for all ages from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Preacher Mark Wisniewski’s message for this Sunday will be “Mothering and Mothers” from Acts 9:36-43. The Communion Table will be served by Bill Miller and Chuck Marion. There will be a Children’s Church provided for the 10:30 a.m. service, to be taught by Brooke Swope and Holli Good. If you can’t make it to the live services, Preacher Mark Wisniewski’s sermon will be posted on the Dora Christian Church Facebook group Sunday morning for all to see.

LaFontaine Christian Church

The LaFontaine Christian Church pre-records the sermon which is then available for all to view at www.lafontainechristian.com under the sermons tab, stated Pastor Brad Wright.

LaFontaine United Methodist Church

Pastor Susan Shambaugh says that her LaFontaine United Methodist Church is live-streaming on their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/LaFontaine-United-Methodist-Church>

and that it may be accessed as a video afterward.

Lincolnville United Methodist Church

Lincolnville United Methodist, 5848 E. 500 South, is going back to one worship service. The worship service is at 10 a.m., and Sunday school is at 9 a.m.

Living Faith Lutheran Church

Welcome to our in-person worship service at 10:10 a.m. Sundays at Living Faith Lutheran Church, 242 S. Huntington St. Bible study and Sunday school are at 9 a.m. for all ages. The sanctuary is arranged for social distancing. Masks are encouraged and available. Online services are at 10:10 a.m., with pre-service music at 10 a.m. For virtual services and more information, visit www.livingfaithwabash.org.

Manchester Church of the Brethren

Pastor Kurt Borgmann from the Manchester Church of the Brethren stated they will hold a live-stream service at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday by visiting www.manchestercob.net. Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on the black button that says, “Manchester CoB YouTube Channel.” After the service is finished, one may access a video copy of the live stream in the same way. Another way to access the live stream or posted video: go to YouTube, search “Manchester Church of the Brethren,” and click on the circle profile.

North Manchester Congregational Christian Church

Pastor Sebrena Cline stated live streaming begins

on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sundays for the North Manchester Congregational Christian Church, and lasts 30 to 40 minutes.

North Manchester Missionary Church

The North Manchester Missionary Church is streaming live on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sunday. The video is then placed on their webpage, which can be viewed by visiting NMMC1.com.

Olive Branch Church of God

The Olive Branch Church of God live-streams Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Find it through Facebook, by searching Olive Branch Church, or by visiting www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch or through the church website www.olivebranch.church. Click “Live Streaming” at the top, then click the series icon (lion head).

Richvalley United Methodist Church

Worship at Richvalley United Methodist Church begins at 9:30 a.m. Sundays at 290 N. Jefferson St. Sunday school begins at 10:45 a.m. For more information, call 260-563-1033 or email rvumc@hotmail.com.

Southside Free Will Baptist

Streaming on their Facebook page.

Sweetwater Assembly of God

Streaming services online using the normal service schedule.

Urbana Yoke Parish

Rev. Larry Wade of the Urbana Yoke Parish stated

that his congregation posts Sunday services to www.urbanayokeparish.com. Go to the menu line at the top of the page and select “Worship Videos.” The most recent one will appear first. Sunday services are posted by noon every Tuesday.

Wabash Church of the Brethren

At the Wabash Church of the Brethren, Pastor Doug Veal is holding a Zoom meeting each Sunday for worship. The meeting is open at 10:15 a.m. so that everyone can be connected by 10:30 a.m. Join this church service by visiting <https://zoom.us/j/393263884> or by calling 312-626-6799 and enter meeting ID No. 393 263 884.

Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Welcome to Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 West Hill St. In-person worship is at 9:30 a.m. Sunday mornings in the sanctuary or via live-stream for the church at home on the Wabash Christian YouTube Channel. Access is also available on our Facebook page and website wabashchristian.org. Stephen Eberhard is the transitional minister.

Wabash Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Kirk Johnson, of the Wabash Church of the Nazarene, stated their service is available on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Find it by going to YouTube and search for “Wabash Nazarene” or search Facebook for the Wabash Church of the Nazarene. Another option is to

visit www.wabashnaz.com, look for the home page, and find “Latest Sermon.”

Wabash First Church of God

At the 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 9 worship service at Wabash First Church of God, 525 N. Miami St., Pastor Robb Rensberger will speak on “Mother Mary.” The scripture is Matthew 23:29-33. The sermon can also be seen on YouTube under Wabash 1st Church and heard on Sunday at 11 a.m. on 105.9 FM. While in the church building, masks are optional but we do practice social distancing. Sunday servants are Todd Eltzroth, chairperson; Sherry Whitt, worship; Rose Sands, piano; and Nancy Kolb, organ.

Walk by Faith Community Church

At the Walk by Faith Community Church in Roann, Sunday school begins at 9 a.m. and the worship and children’s worship services begin at 10 a.m. The Walk by Faith Youth ministry meets at 5 p.m. every Sunday. For more information, visit www.walkbyfaithcommunitychurch.com.

Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash

Pastor Jerry Gauthier says that the Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash is streaming through their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/zionwabash at 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

Editor’s note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to news@wabashplaindealer.com no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.

Wellbrooke of Wabash adds Memory Care services

Ribbon-cutting, open houses scheduled for next week

STAFF REPORT

Wellbrooke of Wabash, a Trilogy Senior Living Community located in Wabash, has announced the addition of Assisted Living Memory Care services to their community’s continuum of care, according to a press release. Grow Wabash County and Wellbrooke of Wabash will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 1:15 p.m. Monday, May 10 to celebrate the opening of Wellbrooke’s new memory care neighborhood, Legacy Lane, 20 John Kissinger Drive. Open houses will be offered to the public on Tuesday, May 11 and Wednesday, May 12, as well. “Named The Legacy Lane, Wellbrooke’s new neighborhood is designed to enrich the lives of those with Alzheimer’s disease or other forms of dementia and is slated to open this spring,” stated the release. “In the Legacy Lane, every facet of life will be dictated by each resident’s unique needs. Caregivers are selected for their patience, empathy, and

servant’s hearts, and undergo extensive training as part of Trilogy’s Memory Care standards, which include the company’s Best Friends Forever (BFF) program, inspired by the Best Friends Approach developed by Virginia Bell and David Troxel. Through the BFF Program, Trilogy employees are taught how to resolve conflicts, create meaningful experiences, and connect with those they serve by learning their life stories. Every resident in The Legacy is valued for what makes them unique, and is empowered to spend their days pursuing the things that bring them joy, whether that be listening to music, creating art, cooking, spending time outdoors or just chatting about times gone by.” In addition to offering Memory Care services, Wellbrooke of Wabash offers Assisted Living and Post-Acute Healthcare Services such as Rehabilitation and Adult Day/Respite Services. “By offering this full range of care and support, seniors and their families can find peace of mind knowing that should their needs change, they can remain at Wellbrooke, surrounded by the

same beautiful amenities and caring staff members they have come to know and love,” stated the release. Wellbrooke’s Legacy Lane will also be equipped to battle today’s viral threats, including COVID-19. “Through Trilogy Health Services’ SHIELD program, the campus is stocked with hospital-grade disinfectant solutions, including 40-A, which has been proven by the EPA to kill COVID-19 when used per the manufacturer’s guidelines,” stated the release. “Wellbrooke employees will also be equipped with the proper personal protective equipment (PPE) and trained in infection control measures, including screening all persons entering the campus for signs and symptoms of COVID-19.” Wellbrooke of Wabash is currently taking reservations for The Legacy and invites community members to contact the campus at 260-274-0444 to learn more and schedule a tour. Wellbrooke of Wabash is a Trilogy Senior Living Community. For more information, visit www.trilogyhs.com or www.wellbrookeofwabash.com.

DA drops ‘vicious lies’ defense, pleads guilty in sex extortion case

By MICHAEL RUBINKAM
Associated Press

A Pennsylvania district attorney who had cast the case against him as a pack of “vicious lies” pleaded guilty Friday to pressuring clients for sex when he was a defense attorney and then coercing them to keep quiet about it. Bradford County District Attorney Chad Salsman admitted guilt and resigned from office three months after claiming he had “committed no crimes” and hinting he was the victim of a political smear by the state’s top prosecutor. Salsman, who took office a

year ago, was charged Feb. 3 with sexually assaulting women who were his clients in criminal and child custody cases when he worked as a defense attorney. The accusers told a grand jury that he groped them, sought nude photos, and pressured or forced them into sexual acts, sometimes on his office desk. He pleaded guilty to reduced charges of witness intimidation, promoting prostitution and obstruction of justice, according to the Pennsylvania attorney general’s office. The prostitution charge is a felony that carries a maximum of 11 years in prison. Salsman will be sentenced July 9.

After Salsman was first charged, he emailed a statement from his Bradford County government address that cast the accusations as “vicious lies” and pledged to “vigorously defending myself against these false allegations.” He added: “Anyone who knows me knows that the picture the Attorney General is painting is not Chad Salsman.” Salsman, a Republican, had also accused Attorney General Josh Shapiro, a Democrat, of turning his case into a media spectacle, complaining about being handcuffed and “paraded in front of television cameras.”

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STATE OF GEORGIA
IN RE: Petition of
Michael Shawn Murdock
To adopt Trenten Robert Reist Adoption Petition
Minor child
No. 21A- 03-W
To Terry Dale Collier
You, are hereby notified that the above-styled action seeking the termination of parental rights for the minor child was filed on January 28, 2021, and that by reason you are hereby notified that a hearing to terminate your parental rights is to be held on July 12, 2021 at 9:00 am in the Superior Court of Barrow County, 652 Barrow Park Drive, Winder, Georgia.
Witnesseth the Honorable Wayne D. McLocklin, Superior Court of Barrow County.
This 22 day of March 2021
Janie J. Jones
Clerk of Superior Court
Barrow County, Georgia
Piedmont Judicial Circuit
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WABASH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WABASH COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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TELEPHONE 260-563-0661 EXT 1222
FAX 260-563-7910
PETITION TO THE WABASH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR VACATE OF STREET(S), ALLEY(S), ROAD(S), OR PUBLIC WAY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Comes now WANDA FREHSE AND MARCIA SOMMERS and hereby gives legal notice of a petition to Vacate the following Steet(s), Alley(s), Road(s) or Public Way as follows:
A tract of land being all of that portion of a platted 10 foot alley lying north of and adjacent to Lot twenty two (22), Lot twenty three, (23), and Lot twenty four (24) in the Original Plat of the Town of Urbana as recorded in Plat Book 2 on Pages 239 – 240 and found on file in the Wabash County Recorder's Office, and said town being a part of the southwest quarter of Section six (6) in Township twenty eight (28) North, Range seven (7) East of the second principal meridian, Wabash County, Indiana, the said portion of the alley being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of Lot twenty two (22) in the Original Plat of the Town of Urbana thence north ten (10) feet to the southwest corner of a .22 acre tract lying within the unincorporated limits of the Town of Urbana, identified in recorded survey 2014R435035, found on file in the Wabash County Recorder's Office, thence east one hundred fifty one (151) feet to the south east corner of said tract, thence south ten (10) feet to the north east corner of Lot twenty four, (24) in the Original Plat of the Town of Urbana, thence west along the north line of Lot twenty four (24), Lot twenty three (23) and Lot twenty two (22), to the north west corner of Lot twenty two (22), being the POINT OF BEGINNING. Said petition is presently on file in the office of the Auditor of Wabash County, IN., and will be presented for public hearing before the Wabash County Commissioners on the: 24th day of May, 2021 at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners meeting Room of the Wabash County Courthouse. Any interested party is invited to attend said hearing, and make known their opinion, for or against, the granting of this Petition.
/S/Marcie Shepherd
Wabash County Auditor
Date: May 4, 2021
Wabash County Auditor
Wabash County Commissioners
One West Hill St.
Wabash, IN 46992
STEVE DOWNS
Attorney for the Wabash County Commissioners
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Sealed bids for the Snow Removal Equipment Building project will be received by the Wabash Board of Aviation Commissioners at the Wabash Municipal Airport, Terminal Building, 283 West 400 South, Wabash, Indiana 46992, until 11:00 a.m. local time Wednesday, May 26th, 2021 at which time and place all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after the designated time set will be returned unopened. A pre-bid conference for this project will not be held. The Contract Documents, including drawings and specifications may be viewed at the following locations:
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Electronic copies of the documents may be obtained at no charge. Hard copies may be purchased for a NON-REFUNDABLE fee of \$100.00 for each paper copy of the documents requested. Please place an order through the Engineer, Hanson Professional Services, Inc, 6510 Telecom Drive, Suite 210, Indianapolis, IN, 46278, (317) 803-8964.
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NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
1. The Offeror's or Bidder's attention is called to the "Equal Opportunity Clause" and the "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications" set forth herein.
2. The goals and timetables for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate workforce in each trade on all construction work in the covered area, are as follows:
Goals for minority participation for each trade: Wabash County, IN 3.7%
Goals for female participation for each trade: National 6.9%
These goals are applicable to all of the Contractor's construction work (whether or not it is Federal or federally assisted) performed in the covered area. If the Contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for such geographical area where the work is actually performed. With regard to this second area, the Contractor also is subject to the goals for both its federally involved and non-federally involved construction.
The Contractor's compliance with the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR part 60-4 shall be based on its implementation of the Equal Opportunity Clause, specific affirmative action obligations required by the specifications set forth in 41 CFR 60-4.3(a) and its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade, and the Contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor or from project to project for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.
3. The Contractor shall provide written notification to the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) within 10 working days of award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the name, address, and telephone number of the subcontractor; employer identification number of the subcontractor; estimated dollar amount of the subcontract; estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and the geographic area in which the subcontract is to be performed.
4. As used in this notice and in the contract resulting from this solicitation, the "covered area" is Indiana, Wabash County, Wabash.
The Wabash Board of Aviation Commissioners, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders or offerors that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprise will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award. A certified check or bank draft payable to the Wabash Board of Aviation Commissioners, or a satisfactory bid bond, executed by the Bidder and an approved surety company in an amount not less than five (5) percent of the bid, shall be submitted with each bid proposal. Contractors awarded a contract will be required to furnish acceptable surety bonds in the amount of 100% of the awarded contract price. Said performance and material and payment bond shall remain in effect for twelve (12) months.
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Veteran feels used by friend who demands her discount

DEAR ABBY: While shopping with a friend recently, I was put in an awkward situation in regard to a store discount. Having served in the military, I qualify for a discount at that particular store. She was aware of that discount, and while she was at the checkout lane, she yelled at me, “Hey, you! What’s your phone number for your military discount?”

We are both retired and living on one income, although I am married and live on my husband’s pension. She’s retired from a job in the medical field, owns her home and shows up conveniently at friends’ homes for coffee and food.

Dear Abby



I was so dumbfounded at her request for the number that I gave it to her. I’m uncomfortable going shopping with her now. I haven’t addressed it with her, and I have tried to avoid any shopping trips with her since that incident. It feels like she’s stealing my valor since my husband and I served in the military. Am I too easily offended? – Retired In Alaska

DEAR RETIRED: I’m glad you mentioned valor in your letter because it’s time for you to summon up some more. Unless you want this person to continue taking advantage of you, set her straight. She is not entitled to the discount, and you must learn to refuse if and when she puts you in that position again.

DEAR ABBY: My ex-husband always had a difficult relationship with his family. I never understood and would force him to call them on holidays, birthdays and special occasions. We divorced after he had an affair. It was ugly at the start, but we are civil now.

Following the divorce, COVID and some bad decisions on his part, he has lost everything. He’s now homeless and lives in his car or at motels. The other day he came to me desperate. I took him out of the cold for a while, fed him and dropped him off at a friend’s. I then reached out to his family to tell them about how bad he is doing. I didn’t even get to tell them before they cut me off saying they have washed their hands of him because of his bad decisions.

My ex isn’t perfect, but although he never did anything to his family like he did to me, they are punishing him for that. Should I reach out to them again and tell them he needs them now more than ever, or should I just let it go like he told me to years ago? – Ex With A Heart

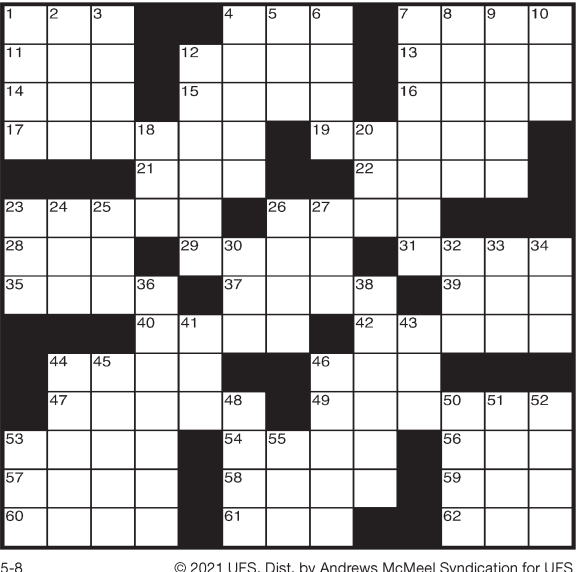
DEAR EX: If you think it will soften their hearts, contact them once more and tell them that you have forgiven him for the hurt he caused you and suggest they stop punishing him for it. However, it’s entirely possible that some of your ex’s other bad decisions may have affected his relatives. If that’s the case, let the matter drop. Remember, there’s a difference between being softhearted and softheaded, and he must solve his own problems without you being dragged back in.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Puppy plaint
 - 4 Health resort
 - 7 Campus hangout
 - 11 Forum hello
 - 12 “Frozen” snowman
 - 13 Disconnect
 - 14 Kettle and Bell
 - 15 Costa —
 - 16 Nile goddess
 - 17 Slept noisily
 - 19 “Walk Away —”
 - 21 Pamplona shout
 - 22 Light brown
 - 23 Feminine endings
 - 26 Long-eared animal
 - 28 Certain sib
 - 29 Churchill successor
 - 31 Bird feeder treat
 - 35 Pear variety
 - 37 Dull
 - 39 Green shade
- DOWN**
- 1 Edible roots
 - 2 Novelist —
 - 3 Turgenev
 - 3 Tijuana dollar
 - 4 Avalanche
 - 5 “— Man Fever”
 - 6 Way, way off
 - 7 Jelly fruits

- Answer to Previous Puzzle**
- 8 A1 of Indy fame
9 “Ciao!”
10 Hairstyles
12 Threat ender (2 wds.)
18 Beluga product
20 Always, to Poe
23 Recede letters
24 Full house
25 “Titanic” message
26 Zeus’ spouse
27 Compilation
30 Insect killer
32 Merchandise ID
- 33 Want ad abbr.
34 Bronzed
36 Peter the Great’s wife, e.g.
38 Loud and rude
41 Asner and Bradley
43 Lamb’s mama
44 Get melodramatic
45 Stares at
46 Feints
48 Hoopla
50 Royal decree
51 West Coast sch.
52 Nasty look
53 Bad actor
55 Home page addr.



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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

3	9	6	4	8	7	5	2	1
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7	4	5	1	9	2	6	3	8
9	3	1	2	7	6	8	5	4
5	8	2	9	4	1	3	7	6
6	7	4	8	5	3	9	1	2
2	1	9	6	3	8	7	4	5
4	6	7	5	2	9	1	8	3
8	5	3	7	1	4	2	6	9

JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

TYUPT

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

I knew you'd catch on to my rod and reel's magic.

I'm reeling him in!

HE GAVE HIS DAUGHTER HIS FAVORITE FISHING ROD AND REEL SO THAT SHE'D ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: PLUME AFFIX DRIVEL GULLET
Answer: They each ate a large meal at the all-you-can-eat buffet and were leaving — “FULL-FILLED”

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane

“Look at us, Mommy! We’re helpin’ Daddy!”

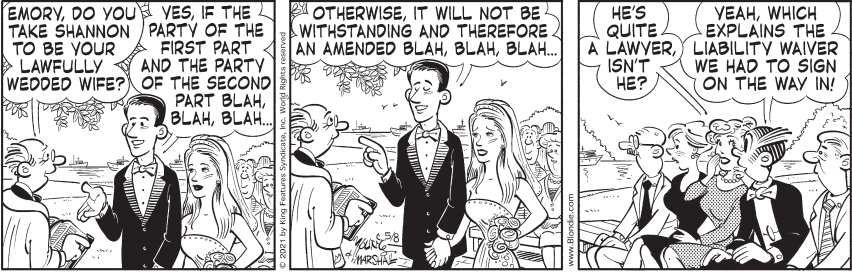
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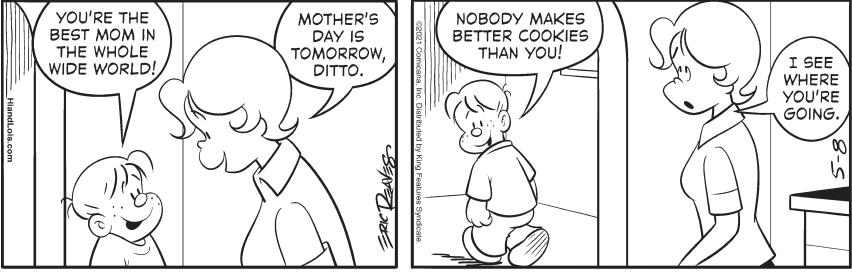
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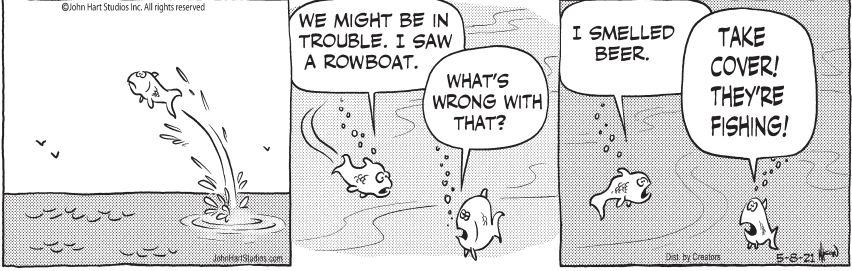
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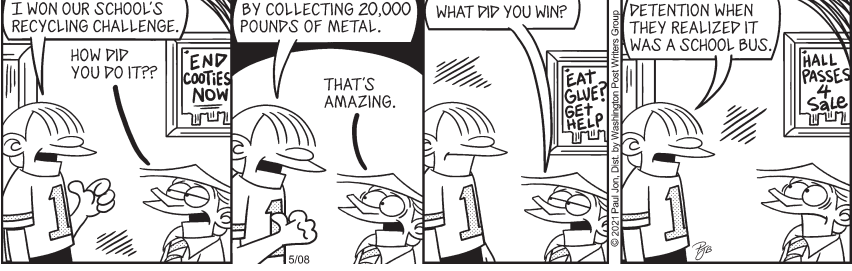
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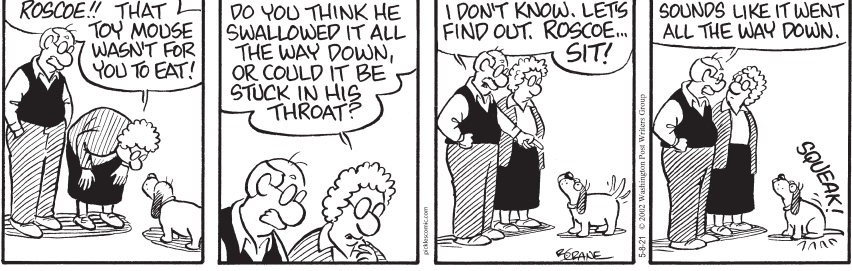
GARFIELD



FORT KNOX



PICKLES



Parents can prevent heartaches for families by planning ahead, taking care of the business of life

Q: I have just buried my father who had been widowed for many years. My father had always been a good businessman, but he had not put his personal affairs in order. My wife and I are beginning to think of “putting our house in order,” to prevent our children from going through the same difficulties, but we aren’t quite sure how to do it. — P.D.

Billy Graham
My Answer



A: A young minister asked his wife, “What if I died suddenly, what would you do?” He didn’t ask how she would deal with the grief but how she would go through the mechanics: Whom she would call, where important documents were kept, and what arrangements she would make. This may not be a very enjoyable exercise, but both the husband and the wife said this mock re-

hearsal gave them a peace of mind and an openness of communication they hadn’t experienced before they set their “house in order.” In their 30s, they took care of what many people leave until old age.

Parents can prevent heartaches for their families by planning ahead and taking care of the business of life.

More important, the Bible speaks of planning in this world and for the afterlife. The Old Testament prophet delivered a tough message from God to King Hezekiah, “Put

your house in order, because you are going to die” (Isaiah 38:1, NIV). That crisp command brings into sharp focus the most vital aspect of life: preparing for life after death — eternity. Everything else should be secondary. Everyone someday will die.

Jesus Christ was the Master Realist when He urged people to prepare for death, which was certain to come. Do not worry, said the Lord, about the death of the body, but rather concern yourself with the eternal death of the soul.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“ONA UXRO PUYXLOM KO SACAIR ONMO
CPII AHAL VA CLMYAF MLXWKF
TXWL KADE MLA ONA MLUR XG TXWL
DNPIFLAK. BXXF SXV, UMUMR.”
— YPKE

Previous Solution: “As an outside; don’t worry about failure, because failure will take care of itself. Focus on success.” — Henry Cavill

TODAY’S CLUE: A s/nb H

WACCY Golf Outing hitting the greens

Grow Wabash County's annual event returns Wednesday, June 9

STAFF REPORT

Grow Wabash County invites the Wabash County business community to join them for “a day of golf, fun and networking,” according to project manager for marketing and events Chelsea Boulrisse.

Registration is now open for Grow Wabash County’s annual WACCY Golf Outing on Wednesday, June 9 at the Honeywell Golf Course, 3360

Niccum Road.

“The WACCY Golf Outing will, of course, feature some of the Caddy-shack-level antics that have become synonymous with the annual fund-raising event. This year will feature the Putting Green Contest as well as the ever-popular game boosters such as Mulligans, Pick-A-Putts and Bad Player Insurance,” said Boulrisse.

Registration is \$360 per four-person team, which includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, access to a catered lunch from Miller’s Merry Manor and the chance to win a whole assortment of games and prizes.

This year’s outing will offer a morning session – with a 7:30 a.m.

start – and afternoon – with a 1 p.m. start – flights on a first-come, first-serve basis. There will be a limit of 18 teams per flight.

Prizes will be awarded during both flights to winners in each of these categories: Longest Drive for both Men and Women; Longest Putt; Closest to the Pin; and prizes for first, second, third and last-place teams. Heartland REMC will once again be sponsoring the Hole-In-One contest, which will include opportunities to win cash prizes for landing holes in one.

The biggest prize of the day, though, will be the custom WACCY Golf Championship Belt, which will

be awarded to the grand champion of the 2021 WACCY Golf Outing.

There are also many sponsorship opportunities for businesses to register for to get in on the fun, including becoming a Hole Sponsor for \$125, which allows the sponsor to set up at a hole on the course with their booth or activity to promote their business and connect with the golfers that come through.

Businesses can register as a hole sponsor or opt to sponsor one of the many other features of the day by registering online.

WACCY Golf Committee members for the 2021 event include Jami Bartel, Miller’s Merry Manor;

Kaye Krom, Owens Corning-Thermafiber; Gary Larson, Ford Meter Box; Mel Thomas, Honeywell Golf Course; Rachel Olsen, Heartland REMC; Paul McCann, Red Earth CPA; and the Grow Wabash County staff.

We want to extend a special thank you to all of the hole and event sponsors that registered for our canceled 2020 event and agreed to roll over their sponsorships and registrations to this year’s event.

For more information, visit www.growwabashcounty.com/waccy2021, email marketing@growwabashcounty.com or call 260-563-5258.

Darlington Raceway set for first of two NASCAR weekends

By PETE IACOBELLI
Associated Press

Darlington Raceway was strangely busy at the start of the pandemic when the old, country track opened its gates to help NASCAR restart its engines during a hectic stretch of three races in five days.

It was the perfect warmup for a return to two scheduled Cup Series races this season at NASCAR’s oldest superspeedway for the first time since 2004.

Darlington hosts all three of NASCAR’s national series this weekend that closes with the Cup stars celebrating Mother’s Day on Sunday. NASCAR then returns in September for the Southern 500 on Labor Day weekend.



Chris Graythen / Getty Images / Tns

Driver Chase Elliott is on the grid prior to the NASCAR Cup Series Toyota 500 at Darlington Raceway on May 20, 2020.

the beach.

Simply put, NASCAR outgrew the place.

But, track officials also took for granted Darlington’s status as a staple on NASCAR’s schedule and it led to neglect and disrepair at the raceway.

When Darlington lost its Labor Day weekend date after 2003, the whispers began about the track maybe shutting down. It’s what happened to two other NASCAR originals: Rockingham and North Wilkesboro in North Carolina are now shuttered.

But Darlington leaders and officials at NASCAR, which now owns the track, have worked to modernize the venue by adding lights, new grandstands, suite areas and a tunnel entry to improve access for teams.

Tharp understands Dar-

lington can’t make the same mistake again by sitting back content with its two races a year status. There are areas he and NASCAR are targeting for improvements.

The path back has been rocky. The first big step came in 2015 when Darlington regained its Labor Day date for the Southern 500. Track organizers also initiated a throwback weekend celebration at the Labor Day race six years ago.

The practice – think of it as Old Timer’s Day for NASCAR’s past – has become popular among fans as drivers and teams don vintage outfits and the cars are replicated in paint schemes that honoring the sport’s history.

Chase Elliott, the reigning Cup champion and NASCAR’s most popu-

lar driver, will be driving the same paint scheme the late Alan Kulwicki was the day Kulwicki beat Elliott’s father for the 1992 Cup championship. Joey Logano will be in the colors from Mario Andretti’s first Formula One victory in 1971. Bubba Wallace was inspired by Wendell Scott, the first Black driver to win at NASCAR’s top level.

Going forward, the throwback celebration will take place during the Mother’s Day weekend race. The Southern 500, set for Sept. 5, will open NASCAR’s playoffs.

Tharp said the switch will help racers and teams concentrate fully on the postseason.

“It’s something that made sense to us,” he said.

Guthrie paved the way, still hoping more will follow

All these years after her history making run at the Indianapolis 500, Janet Guthrie is still deluged with letters from around the globe.

“I just got a piece of fan mail from Australia,” she said Friday. “I’ve got a stack of fan mail about 3 feet high that I haven’t been able to respond to.”

And how about the news that Academy Award-winning actress Hilary Swank is set to portray her in a movie!

Swank called Guthrie “an incredible true story about female empowerment and going after your dreams,” saying she “can’t wait to bring her inspiring life to the screen.”

“Very flattering,” Guthrie responded. “Obviously, she’s a great actress.”

Swank certainly picked a worthy subject.

As the first woman to race at the Indy 500, Guthrie’s is a life is worth celebrating and remembering – especially as a new generation deals with the gender inequities that continue to hinder female sports.

When Guthrie read reports of the disparate facilities at the NCAA men’s and women’s basketball tournaments, she had a familiar reaction for someone who endured relentless scorn and ridicule breaking into a male-dominated sport.

“I guess my first thought was, ‘What else is new?’” she said, a resigned tone in her voice when speaking by phone from her home in Colorado. “On the other hand, I’m very glad that it’s in the headlines again. Perhaps there will be some changes.”

One thing hasn’t changed all that much since Guthrie, an aerospace en-

Paul Newberry



gineer and pilot-turned-race car driver, stunned the world by qualifying for one of the world’s most famous events in 1977.

Women are still outliers in the sport of auto racing.

Only a handful of females have raced regularly in the IndyCar series since Guthrie’s breakthrough, most notably Danica Patrick.

Patrick, now retired, is also the only woman to compete regularly on the NASCAR Cup circuit, where Guthrie still ranks second on the list of most career starts by a female with 33 (which includes being the first woman to compete in its biggest event, the Daytona 500).

Just two women have qualified for a Formula One race, the last in 1976.

“The talent is out there,” insisted Guthrie, now 83. “But the pool of girls who have grown up racing go-karts and then progressed to other forms of machinery is relatively small.”

She contrasted that with the gains made by women in equestrian events, another of the rare sports where the two sexes compete on an equal playing field.

“Forty years ago, that sport was dominated by men at the Olympics. Now, it’s dominated by women,” Guthrie said. “But horse back riding has since time immemorial been the one way a young girl had socially acceptable access to power. I think that’s part of why women have come to dominate (equestrian)

competition.

“We haven’t really quite reached that point in the lower levels of autosport yet,” she said. “I hope it will be coming.”

There’s nothing to prevent women racers from being just as successful as their male counterparts, Guthrie has long maintained, if only they received an equal opportunity.

“In most sports, the fact that men have big muscles and broad shoulders does make a difference,” she said. But that doesn’t apply when behind the wheel of a machine that can go more than 200 mph.

“Like I used to say,” Guthrie chuckled, “I drove the car, I didn’t have to carry it.”

Better late than never, she was selected last year for the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Hall of Fame. Unfortunately, the pandemic prevented the usual induction ceremony from being held, so Guthrie took part in a virtual event. She had hoped to attend this month’s ceremony in person, but the ongoing pandemic and other issues forced her to back out.

Former driver Sarah Fisher will deliver a few remarks on Guthrie’s behalf.

While Guthrie said “it kills me” not to be in Indy this month, she at least has a ring that is presented to all Hall of Fame inductees.

“That ring is so beautiful,” she said. “It’s my most treasured possession.”

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SCOREBOARD

NASCAR				
NASCAR Cup Series Goodyear 400 At Darlington Raceway Darlington, S.C. Lap length: 1.37 miles Sunday's Lineup (Car number in parentheses)				
1. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford				
2. (4) Kevin Harvick, Ford				
3. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota				
4. (19) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota				
5. (24) William Byron, Chevrolet				
6. (9) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet				
7. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota				
8. (21) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford				
9. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet				
10. (8) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet				
11. (17) Chris Buescher, Ford				
12. (22) Joey Logano, Ford				
13. (34) Michael McDowell, Ford				
14. (5) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet				
15. (99) Daniel Suarez, Chevrolet				
16. (12) Ryan Blaney, Ford				
17. (1) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet				
18. (42) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet				
19. (48) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet				
20. (6) Ryan Newman, Ford				
21. (20) Christopher Bell, Toyota				
22. (14) Chase Briscoe, Ford				
23. (23) Bubba Wallace, Toyota				
24. (41) Cole Custer, Ford				
25. (38) Anthony Alfredo, Ford				
26. (43) Erik Jones, Chevrolet				
27. (10) Aric Almirola, Ford				
28. (47) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Chevrolet				
29. (37) Ryan Preece, Chevrolet				
30. (7) Corey Lajoie, Chevrolet				
31. (77) Justin Haley, Chevrolet				
32. (78) BJ McLeod, Ford				
33. (51) Cody Ware, Chevrolet				
34. (53) JJ Yeley, Chevrolet				
35. (00) Quin Houff, Chevrolet				
36. (15) James Davison, Chevrolet				
37. (52) Josh Bilicki, Ford				

NBA				
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Phila.	45	21	.682	—
x-Brooklyn	43	24	.642	2½
New York	37	29	.561	8
Boston	35	31	.530	10
Toronto	27	40	.403	18½
Southeast Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	37	31	.544	—
Miami	35	31	.530	1
Charlotte	32	34	.485	4
Washington	31	36	.463	5½
Orlando	21	45	.318	15
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Milwaukee	42	24	.636	—
Indiana	31	35	.470	11
Chicago	27	39	.409	15
Cleveland	21	45	.318	21
Detroit	20	47	.299	22½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Southwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	38	28	.576	—
Memphis	33	33	.500	5
San Antonio	31	34	.477	6½
New Orleans	30	36	.455	8
Houston	16	50	.242	22
Northwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Utah	48	18	.727	—
x-Denver	44	22	.667	4
Portland	37	29	.561	11
Oklahoma City	21	46	.313	27½
Minnesota	20	46	.303	28

MLB				
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	19	13	.594	—
Tampa Bay	18	15	.545	1½
Toronto	16	14	.533	2
New York	16	15	.516	2½
Baltimore	15	16	.484	3½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	17	13	.567	—
Chicago	16	13	.552	½
Kansas City	16	14	.533	1
Minnesota	11	19	.367	6
Detroit	9	23	.281	9
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	19	14	.576	—
Seattle	17	15	.531	1½
Houston	16	15	.516	2
Texas	16	17	.485	3
Los Angeles	13	17	.433	4½
Thursday's Games				
Houston 7, N.Y. Yankees 4				
Texas 4, Minnesota 3, 10 innings				
Cleveland 4, Kansas City 0				
Boston 12, Detroit 9				
Toronto 10, Oakland 4				
Tampa Bay 8, L.A. Angels 3				
Saturday's Games				
Washington (Scherzer 2-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Kluber 2-2), 1:05 p.m.				
Colorado (Gonzalez -0) at St. Louis (Martínez 2-4), 2:15 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Crowe 0-1) at Chicago Cubs (Williams 2-2), 2:20 p.m.				
San Diego (Musgrove 2-3) at San Francisco (Gausman 2-0), 4:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Castillo 1-3) at Cleveland (Civale 4-0), 6:10 p.m.				
Milwaukee (Houser 2-3) at Miami (TBD), 6:10 p.m.				
Arizona (Kelly 2-2) at N.Y. Mets (Lucchesi 0-2), 7:10 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Velasquez 1-0) at Atlanta (Anderson 2-1), 7:20 p.m.				
L.A. Dodgers (TBD) at L.A. Angels (TBD), 9:07 p.m.				
Sunday's Games				
Boston at Baltimore, 1:05 p.m.				
Washington at N.Y. Yankees, 1:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati at Cleveland, 1:10 p.m.				
Minnesota at Detroit, 1:10 p.m.				
Chicago White Sox at Kansas City, 2:10 p.m.				
Toronto at Houston, 2:10 p.m.				
Seattle at Texas, 2:35 p.m.				
L.A. Dodgers at L.A. Angels, 4:07 p.m.				
Tampa Bay at Oakland, 4:07 p.m.				

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
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Philadelphia	17	15	.531	—
New York	13	13	.500	1
Atlanta	15	16	.484	1½
Miami	14	16	.467	2
Washington	12	15	.444	2½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	18	14	.563	—
Milwaukee	17	15	.531	1
Chicago	15	16	.484	2½
Cincinnati	14	15	.483	2½
Pittsburgh	13	17	.433	4
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	18	13	.581	—
San Diego	18	14	.563	½
Los Angeles	17	15	.531	1½
Arizona	15	16	.484	3
Colorado	12	19	.387	6
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Sweetwater Assembly of God, 2551 SR 114 E, North Manchester. (260) 982-6179. Sunday worship 9am & 10:45am. Sunday evening outreach groups & youth ministry 5-7pm. Wednesday 6:30pm adult/teen bible study, 6:30pm Kidz Zone (K thru 6th grade). All worship services streaming online and on our Facebook page.

BAPTIST

Emmanuel Free Will Baptist, 129 Southwood Drive. Pastor Terry Hinds. (260) 563-3009. Sunday School 9:30am. Sunday Worship 10:30am & 6pm; Children's Church 10:30am. Wednesday morning prayer service 11am. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm. Transportation available. Sunday worship services streaming on our Facebook page

Southside Free Will Baptist, 360 Columbus Street. Pastor Tim Webb. Sunday School 10am. Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6pm. Sunday worship services streaming online

Wabash Free Will Baptist Church, 1056 Erie Street. Wednesday evening prayer meeting 6pm. Sunday School 10am, Church 11am; evening service 6pm.

CATHOLIC

St. Bernard Catholic Church, corner of Cass & Sinclair. Father Levi Nkwocha. Masses: Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m. Face masks and social distancing required.

St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Main Street in Lagro, Welcomes You Back! New Service Time 11:00 AM Sunday, October 4, Sunday November 1 and Sunday December 6. In keeping with COVID-19 State Rules, please wear a mask and socially distance. Let Us Worship Together.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Christian Heritage Church, 2776 River Road. (260) 569-7710. Pastor Tim Prater. Sunday 8:30am. Radio Ministry 95.9 WKUZ. Sunday School 9:30am. Morning Service 10:30am. Sunday evening 6pm. Wednesday evening 6pm. Online services on Sunday at 10:30 am and Wednesday 6:00 pm

LaFontaine Christian Church, 202 Bruner Pike, LaFontaine. Minister Brad Wright. (765) 981-2101. Worship 9am & 10:30am, Nursery & Jr. Church available. Online Services available on our website

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ, Wabash (corner of N Wabash Street and US 24). Evangelist Josh Fennell (260) 563-8234. Sunday School 9am. Morning Worship 10am. Evening Worship 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Wednesday Kid's Jam 7pm.

CHURCH OF GOD

First Church of God, 525 N. Miami Street. Pastor Robert Rensberger. (260) 563-5346. Sunday School at 9:15am, for all ages. Continental breakfast at 10am. Sunday Morning Worship is at 10:30am. Nursery care is available during worship service. Stair lift available.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Wabash Church of the Brethren, 645 Bond Street (off Falls Avenue). Pastor Doug Veal. (260) 563-5291. Wherever you are on life's journey, come join us as we continue the work of Jesus... Peacefully, Simply, Together. Sunday School 9:30am. Worship 10:30am. Children's church and nursery available during worship. Online Service through website or conference call.

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Stephen Eberhard, Transitional minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: www.wabashchristian.org. Worship Service 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on YouTube and Facebook. Services streaming on our website and Facebook.

FRIENDS CHURCH

Wabash Friends Church, 3563 S State Rd 13. (260) 563-8452. Lead Pastor, Brandon Eaton. Join us for in-person worship at 8:30AM or 10:45AM, or via live-stream on Facebook at 10:45AM. Children's programming available infants - 6th grade. Sunday school for all ages at 9:45AM. Youth (7th-12th) Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 4 miles north of Wabash on St. Rd. 15; phone 260-563-4109; website: bachelorcreek.com; Worship Minister - Michael Eaton, Student Minister - David Diener, Children's Minister - Tyler Leland, Middle School & Small Groups Minister - Nate Plyler, Next Steps & Outreach Minister - Ryan Keim, Women's Director- Taylor McFarland, Early Childhood Director - Janet Legesse. Worship 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

LUTHERAN

Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC), 242 S. Huntington St., Wabash, IN. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 a.m. with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship. Worship Services live streamed on our website. www.LivingFaithWabash.org

Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! tlcwabash@gmail.com.

UNITED METHODIST

North Manchester United Methodist Church, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Steve Bahrt. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

Richvalley United Methodist Church, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Pastor Jack Suits. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all age.



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Daily Scripture Readings						
Isaiah 61:1-11	Jeremiah 1:1-19	Psalms 47	Acts 1:1-26	1 Cor. 12:1-11	1 Cor. 14:1-25	Ezekiel 1:1-2:1

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